think it, however, most probable that you will soon return to Paris."

I conclude you have got my letter with an account of Eugenie's visit to the Directory. You will see that Barthelemy is not bad, but he is not strong. All his life he has *file doux.* I little dreamt I should ever become a suspicious person, who have passed my days *en jasmin.* I suppose I am kept away now for fear of my giving a lift to the negotiations, by intelligence, &c.

I have had a letter from Mr. Vernon, to recommend the captain and crew of the *Dolphin* packet, in which he and Lord Berwick were taken. The French consul has liberated the passengers, and they are gone on to Rome to fetch the Misses Hill. What a time to go to Rome, which is certainly on the eve of liberty! This old lady dead, there will be no more, at least with power, What an age to live in!

Benincasa is delighted with the ruins of hierarchies, inquisitors, nobility, &c. The Margravine has sent me, by Madame Gaspari, a lock of her hair, in the clumsiest frame I ever saw, exactly

like some fashionable knockers at doors; a flaming letter accompanied it.

I now copy out the account of Eugenie's second visit, with her mother, to the Directory.